

RGCA in excelled at CAA5

Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Aquaculture, which is implementing several programmes in cage farming, actively participated in CAA5, the 5th International Symposium on 'Cage Aquaculture in Asia - 2015' held at Kochi from the 25th - 28th November, 2015. Excerpts on RGCA participation in the Symposium are provided below:-



RGCA Team that participated CAA5 held at Cochin

Project Director RGCA honoured at the CAA5, for his pioneering contribution to the development of Cage Aquaculture in the country

Cage Aquaculture in Asia CAA5 organized by the Asian Fisheries Society and Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Kochi from the 25th to 28th November 2015 at Kochi, honoured eminent personalities in India who through their innovative R & D efforts had made pioneering contributions for the development of Cage Aquaculture in the country. Shri. Y.C. Thampi Sam Raj, Project Director RGCA was one of the recipients of the Award. According to a citation read at the event, Shri. Y. C. Thampi Sam Raj has been “a catalyst for bringing in significant noticeable changes in the aquaculture industry of the Country by virtue of his advice, strategic planning and effective implementation on cage aquaculture”.



Shri. Jaideep Kumar, Deputy Project Director of RGCA receiving the award on behalf of Shri. Y. C. Thampi Sam Raj from Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan, Convener, CAA5 and Director, CMFRI in the presence of Dr. Jena, DDG, ICAR and Dr. Mohan Joseph Modayil, former member, ASRB

RGCA bags the best paper award in CAA5



Mr. D. Thinesh Santhar, Project Manager, RGCA receiving the Best Paper award from Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan, Convener, CAA5 & Director, CMFRI in the presence of Dr. J. K. Jena, DDG (Fisheries), ICAR

A paper entitled "Hatchery Seed Production and Cage Farming of Tiger Grouper *Epinephelus fuscoguttatus* (Forsskal, 1775) in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, India" authored by D. Thinesh Santhar, S. Vijayakumar and Y.C. Thampi Sam Raj and presented at CAA5 under the theme "Breeding and Seed Production" by Shri. D. Thinesh Santhar, Project Manager, DTSP and Grouper

project, RGCA, A& N Islands won the best paper award at the symposium.

Shri. Johnson D`Cruz, Project Manager, Shri. K. Dhandapani and Shri. Damodar P. N, Asst. Project Managers at the RGCA Marine Finfish Hatchery also participated in the Symposium and made presentations on the following subjects;

- Advances made by RGCA in cage farming of Cobia (*Rachycentron canadum*) in India
- Advances made by RGCA in breeding and seed production of Cobia (*Rachycentron canadum*) in India.
- Advances made by RGCA in Asian Seabass (*Lates calcarifer*) culture in open sea cages in India